



Urban Cinema by Santander

28-30 June 2022
Cinema Rialto, 24 św. Jana St., Katowice



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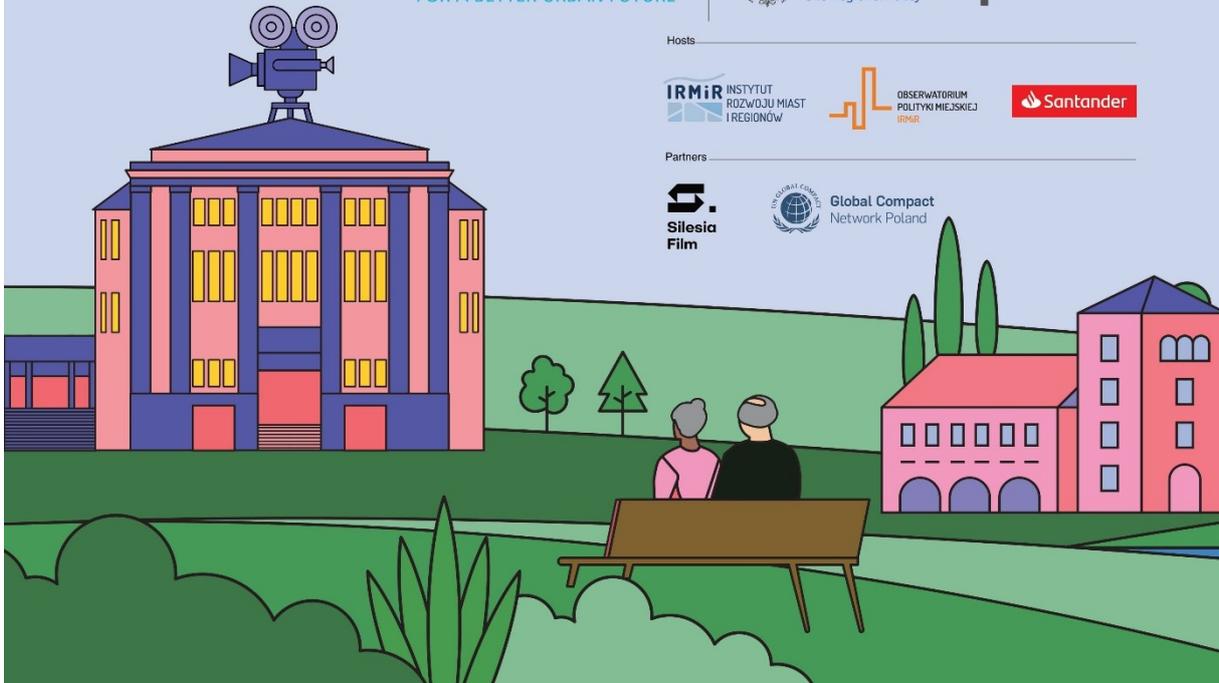
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Hosts



Partners



Host: Institute of Urban and Regional Development, Santander Bank Polska

Location: "Rialto" Cinema, 24 św. Jana Street

SDGs:



Partners: Silesia Film Institute, UN Global Compact, UN-Habitat Better Cities Film Festival

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Tuesday (28 June):

7pm. – 9pm.

Film: *Bloki*

Director: Konrad Królikowski

Trailer: [BLOKI reż. Konrad Królikowski - YouTube](#)

Description:

The story of the gigantic apartment complexes, known as Bloki, built under communist rule. These reviled blocks were home to thousands of people. The architects of these buildings talk about how the blocks came about, while residents explain how they shaped their lives. The government set the architects a clear task, but they did not always submit without signs of frustration. A wonderful story about a past that, despite the depressing Bloki, is not reviled by everyone.

Poland, 2017

Discussion about housing in Polish with English translation. Main guests are Konrad Królikowski (director of the film “Bloki” – “Blocks”) and Beata Chomątowska (author of the book “Betonia. Dom dla każdego - Betonia. Home for everybody”).

Free tickets to download:

<https://rialto.katowice.pl/wydarzenia/urban-cinema-by-santander-pokaz-filmu-bloki-wraz-z-dyskusja-urban-cinema-by-santander-film-bloki-with-duscussion/>

Event in Polish with translation into English.

Thursday (30 June):

6:30pm. – 9pm.

Review of the best short films from **UN-Habitat Better Cities Film Festival**

Session #1:

COVID Cities

This series of short films explores the lessons learned during the global COVID pandemic. Films include: “Strangers In Boxes”, a life affirming testament to how the power of human connection can transcend language, distance, a global pandemic; “The View from the Grotas” is a documentary produced and filmed by young residents of informal settlements, locally known as “grotas”, from Maceió, Alagoas, Brazil on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic in their lives; “A conscious walk during pandemic in Amsterdam”, features city-walks and discussions with experts about how the culture of walking is influencing urban planning in Netherlands and Asia and urban design adaptation.

Session #2:

Best of Better Cities Film Festival

The UN-Habitat Better Cities Film Festival is a celebration of the best storytelling through film about making cities better. Its legacy is an opportunity to bring the best films of the festival to your city. Learn what, why, and how to bring the film festival to your city.

Session #3:

Life on Wheels: Feature Film

Life on Wheels addresses the promises, dangers, and absurdities of our current auto-centric transportation system and explores new possibilities and stories of change.

Guests: **John Paget** and **Chris Elisara** (co-founders of First+Main Films and the Better Cities Film Festival)

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<https://rialto.katowice.pl/wydarzenia/urban-cinema-by-santander-przeglad-najlepszych-filmow-krotkometrazowych-z-calego-swiata-w-ramach-un-habitat-better-cities-film-festival/>
Event in English.